IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

STEWART, et al.

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Compositions and Methods for Producing Vascular Occlusion

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action dated January 16,,2001 in the referenced application.

Applicant(s) elect Group II (claims 12-21) directed to a method for inducing thrombus formation.

Further, applicant elects "an antibody" from the list of targeting agents listed in claim 14; and "von Willebrand factor" from the list of platelet specific components listed in claim 17.

Please CANCEL claims 1-11, and 22-28 as being directed to non-elected subject inventions.

If in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at 301-203-6300 (a local call).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any extension of time fees under 37 CFR §1.17(a)-(d) associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4650.

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